Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)	
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Amendment of Section 73.202(b),)	MB Docket No. 02-352
Table of Allotments,)	RM-10602
FM Broadcast Stations.)		
(Glenville, North Carolina)	ŕ)	

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE MAKING

Adopted: October 30, 2002 Released: November 8, 2002

Comment Date: December 30, 2002 Reply Comment Date: January 14, 2003

By the Assistant Chief, Audio Division:

- 1. The Audio Division has before it the Petition for Rule Making filed by Glenville Radio Broadcasters ("petitioner") proposing the allotment of Channel 289A at Glenville, North Carolina, as the community's first local aural transmission service.
- 2. In support of its proposal, petitioner states that Glenville is otherwise known as Hamburg Township and is a community with a 2000 U.S. Census population of 1,572 persons. Glenville has its own post office and its own zip code (28736). Emergency services are provided by the Glenville-Cashiers Rescue Squad and by the Cashiers-Glenville Voluntary Fire Department. Glenville is a significant tourist and vacation area in the heart of the Smokey Mountains of North Carolina. Glenville is located on Lake Glenville which is the highest lake east of the Mississippi. Glenville is the destination for fishing, camping, and boating activities. Petitioner further states that in addition to numerous vacation homes, Glenville is the home to the Ralph J. Andrew Park Campground (a division of the Jackson County Recreation/Parks Department) and the world famous Innisfree Victorian Inn and Garden House. Glenville is also the home to several businesses such as Blue Ridge Computer Graphics, Mountain Lake Properties, Glenville Marina, and MacDonald Home Construction. Additionally, the community is served by the Hamburg Baptist Church. Local activities are held at the Glenville Community Center.
- 3. The proposal warrants consideration since it could provide Glenville, North Carolina, with its first local aural transmission service. An engineering analysis has determined that Channel 289A can be allotted to Glenville in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 1.5 kilometers (.93 miles) west to avoid a short-spacing to the licensed site of Station

WZNY(FM), Channel 289C, Augusta, Georgia.¹

4. Accordingly, we seek comments on the proposed amendment of the FM Table of Allotments, Section 73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules, for the community listed below, to read as follows:

City	<u>Channel No.</u>		
	<u>Present</u>	Proposed	
Glenville, North Carolina		289A	

- 5. The Commission's authority to institute rule making proceedings, showings required, cut-off procedures, and filing requirements are contained in the attached Appendix and are incorporated by reference herein. In particular, we note that a showing of continuing interest is required by paragraph 2 of the Appendix before a channel will be allotted.
- 6. Interested parties may file comments on or before December 30, 2002, and reply comments on or before January 14, 2003, and are advised to read the Appendix for the proper procedures. Comments should be filed with the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C. 20554. Additionally, a copy of such comments should be served on the petitioner, or its counsel or consultant, as follows:

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7. Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). The Commission's contractor, Vistronix, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail or Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20554. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

¹ The coordinates for Channel 289A at Glenville are 35-09-38 North Latitude and 83-07-28 West Longitude.

- 8. The Commission has determined that the relevant provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 do not apply to a rule making proceeding to amend the FM Table of Allotments, Section 73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules.²
- 9. For further information concerning this proceeding, contact Sharon P. McDonald, Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180. For purposes of this restricted notice and comment rule making proceeding, members of the public are advised that no *ex parte* presentations are permitted from the time the Commission adopts a Notice of Proposed Rule Making until the proceeding has been decided and such decision is no longer subject to reconsideration by the Commission or review by any court. An *ex parte* presentation is not prohibited if specifically requested by the Commission or staff for the clarification or adduction of evidence or resolution of issues in the proceeding. However, any new written information elicited from such a request or a summary of any new oral information shall be served by the person making the presentation upon the other parties to the proceeding unless the Commission specifically waives this service requirement. Any comment which has not been served on the petitioner constitutes an *ex parte* presentation and shall not be considered in the proceeding. Any reply comment which has not been served on the person(s) who filed the comment, to which the reply is directed, constitutes an *ex parte* presentation and shall not be considered in the proceeding.

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John A. Karousos Assistant Chief, Audio Division Media Bureau

Attachment: Appendix

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² See Certification that Section 603 and 604 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act Do Not Apply to Rule Making to Amend Sections 73.202(b), 73.504 and 73.606(b) of the Commission's Rules. 46 FR 11549 (February 9, 1981).

APPENDIX

- 1. Pursuant to authority found in Sections 4(i), 5(c)(1), 303(g) and (r), and 307(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Sections 0.61, 0.204(b) and 0.283 of the Commission's Rules, IT IS PROPOSED TO AMEND the FM Table of Allotments, Section 73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, as set forth in the *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* to which this Appendix is attached.
- 2. Showings Required. Comments are invited on the proposal(s) discussed in the *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* to which this Appendix is attached. Proponent(s) will be expected to answer whatever questions are presented in initial comments. The proponent of a proposed allotment is also expected to file comments even if it only resubmits or incorporates by reference its former pleadings. It should also restate its present intention to apply for the channel if it is allotted and, if authorized, to build a station promptly. Failure to file may lead to denial of the request.
- 3. <u>Cut-off protection</u>. The following procedures will govern the consideration of filings in this proceeding.
- (a) Counterproposals advanced in this proceeding itself will be considered, if advanced in initial comments, so that parties may comment on them in reply comments. They will not be considered if advanced in reply comments. (See Section 1.420(d) of the Commission's Rules).
- (b) With respect to petitions for rule making which conflict with the proposals in this *Notice*, they will be considered as comments in the proceeding, and Public Notice to this effect will be given as long as they are filed before the date for filing initial comments herein. If they are filed later than that, they will not be considered in connection with the decision in this docket.
- (c) The filing of a counterproposal may lead the Commission to allot a different channel than was requested for any of the communities involved.
- 4. <u>Comments and Reply Comments; Service</u>. Pursuant to applicable procedures set out in Sections 1.415 and 1.420 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, interested parties may file comments and reply comments on or before the dates set forth in the *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* to which this Appendix is attached. All submissions by parties to this proceeding or by persons acting on behalf of such parties must be made in written comments, reply comments, or other appropriate pleadings. Comments shall be served on the petitioner by the person filing the comments. Reply comments shall be served on the person(s) who filed comments to which the reply is directed. Such comments and reply comments shall be accompanied by a certificate of service. (*See* Section 1.420(a), (b) and (c) of the Commission's Rules.) Comments should be filed with the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554.

- 5. <u>Number of Copies</u>. In accordance with the provisions of Section 1.420 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, an original and four copies of all comments, reply comments, pleadings, briefs, or other documents shall be furnished the Commission.
- 6. <u>Public Inspection of Filings</u>. All filings made in this proceeding will be available for examination by interested parties during regular business hours in the Commission's Information Reference Center (Room CY-A257) at its headquarters, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554.